

**INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS
FOR
PROPOSED BUILDING STANDARDS
OF THE
CALIFORNIA BUILDING STANDARDS COMMISSION (CBSC)**

**REGARDING ADOPTION OF THE 2005 NATIONAL ELECTRIC CODE (NEC),
CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS (CCR), TITLE 24, PART 3**

The Administrative Procedure Act (APA) requires that an Initial Statement of Reasons be available to the public upon request when rulemaking action is being undertaken. The following information required by the APA pertains to this particular rulemaking action:

STATEMENT OF SPECIFIC PURPOSE AND RATIONALE:

This proposed action by the CBSC adopts the most current edition of the NEC of the National Fire Protection Association, (NFPA). The adoption of the 2005 NEC will make applicable the most recent edition for use by individuals, businesses and state agencies as mandated by the Health & Safety Code (H&SC), Section 18928.

TECHNICAL, THEORETICAL, AND EMPIRICAL STUDY, REPORT, OR SIMILAR DOCUMENTS:

There were no formal studies or reports used as the bases for the proposed adoption of the National Electrical Code. The Health & Safety Code, Section 18928, mandates this proposed action.

CONSIDERATION OF REASONABLE ALTERNATIVES

There are no reasonable alternatives identified by the agency. The Health & Safety Code, Section 18928, mandates this proposed action.

REASONABLE ALTERNATIVES THE AGENCY HAS IDENTIFIED THAT WOULD LESSEN ANY ADVERSE IMPACT ON SMALL BUSINESS.

No alternatives were identified to lessen the adverse impact on small businesses. The Health & Safety Code, Section 18928, mandates this proposed action.

FACTS, EVIDENCE, DOCUMENTS, TESTIMONY, OR OTHER EVIDENCE OF NO SIGNIFICANT ADVERSE IMPACT ON BUSINESS.

No facts, evidence, documents, testimony, or other evidence of any significant adverse economic impact on business have been identified. The Health & Safety Code, Section 18928, mandates this proposed action.

DUPLICATION OR CONFLICTS WITH FEDERAL REGULATIONS

There are no federal regulations related to this proposed action. The Health & Safety Code, Section 18928, mandates this proposed action.